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may receive the equivalent of the number of months of educational assistance necessary to complete the course that will qualify him or her for the same grade certificate.

(2) A reservist is not eligible for refresher training unless he or she has had prior active duty.

(Authority: 10 U.S.C. 16136(b); 38 U.S.C. 3002(3)(A), 3034(a)(3), 3202(2)(A), 3241(a), 3241(b))

(f) *Flight training at an institution of higher learning.* (1) An individual who is eligible for educational assistance under 10 U.S.C. chapter 1606 or 38 U.S.C. chapter 30, 32, or 35 is exempt from the provisions of paragraphs (a)(2) through (d) of this section when his or her courses include flight training that is part of a program of education that leads to a standard college degree.

(2) An individual described in paragraph (f)(1) of this section may pursue courses that may result in the individual eventually receiving recreational pilot certification or private pilot certification, provided that the courses also lead to a standard college degree.

(Authority: 10 U.S.C. 16136(b); 38 U.S.C. 3002(3)(A), 3034(a)(3), 3202(2)(A), 3241(a), 3241(b))

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§ 21.4236 Tutorial assistance.

(a) *Enrollment.* A veteran or eligible person may receive supplemental monetary assistance to provide tutorial services if he or she:

(1) Is pursuing a post-secondary educational program on a half-time or more basis at an educational institution, and

(2) Has a deficiency in a subject which is indispensable to the satisfactory pursuit of an approved program of education.

(b) *Approval.* The Department of Veterans Affairs will grant approval when:

(1) The educational institution certifies that:

(i) Individualized tutorial assistance is essential to correct a deficiency in a specified subject or subjects required as a part of, or which is prerequisite to, or which is indispensable to the satisfactory pursuit of an approved program of education;

(ii) The tutor selected:

(A) Is qualified, and

(B) Is not the parent, spouse, child, brother or sister of the veteran or eligible person; and

(iii) The charges for this assistance do not exceed the customary charges for such tutorial assistance; and

(2) The assistance is furnished on an individual basis.

(Authority: 10 U.S.C. 16131(h); 38 U.S.C. 3019, 3234, 3492, 3533(b))

(c) *Limits on tutorial assistance.* (1) VA will authorize the cost of tutorial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$100 per month.

(2) The total amount of all tutorial assistance provided under this section will not exceed \$1200.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3019, 3492, 3533(b))

(d) *Entitlement charge.* VA will make no charge against the veteran's or eligible person's entitlement to educational assistance for any amount of tutorial assistance authorized.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3019, 3492, 3533(b))

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COURSES

§ 21.4250 Approval of courses.

(a) *General.* A course of education, including the class schedules of a resident course (other than a flight course) not leading to a standard college degree, offered by a school must be approved by the State approving agency for the State in which the school is located, or by the State approving agency which has appropriate approval authority, or, where appropriate, by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3672)

(1) A course approved under 38 U.S.C. chapter 36 shall be deemed approved for purposes of 38 U.S.C. chapter 35.

(2) Any course which was approved under 38 U.S.C. chapter 33 (as in effect before February 1, 1965), or under 38 U.S.C. chapter 35 prior to March 3, 1966, and was not or is not disapproved for failure to meet any of the requirements of the applicable chapters will be

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deemed to be approved for purposes of 38 U.S.C. chapter 36.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3670)

(b) *State approving agencies.* Approval by State approving agencies will be in accordance with the provisions of 38 U.S.C. Chapter 36 and such regulations and policies as the agency may adopt not in conflict therewith.

(1) *Notice of approval.* Each State approving agency will furnish to the Department of Veterans Affairs a current list of schools specifying courses which it has approved, and will furnish such other information as it and the Department of Veterans Affairs may determine to be necessary. See § 21.4258.

(2) *Notice of suspension of approval or disapproval.* Each State approving agency will notify the Department of Veterans Affairs of the suspension of approval or disapproval of any course previously approved and will set forth the reasons for such suspension of approval or disapproval. See § 21.4259.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3672(a))

(3) *Failure to act.* If notice has been furnished that the State approving agency does not intend to act on the application of a school, the school may request approval by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(c) *Department of Veterans Affairs approval.* (1) The Director, Vocational Rehabilitation and Counseling Service may approve special restorative training in excess of 12 months to overcome or lessen the effects of a physical or mental disability to enable an eligible child to pursue a program of education under 38 U.S.C. chapter 35.

(2) The Director, Education Service may approve—

(i) A course of education offered by any agency of the Federal Government authorized under other laws to offer such a course;

(ii) A course of education to be pursued under 10 U.S.C. Chapter 1606 or 38 U.S.C. Chapters 30, 32, 35, or 36 offered by a school located in the Canal Zone, Guam or Samoa;

(Authority: 10 U.S.C. 16136, 38 U.S.C. 3034, 3241, 3672)

(iii) Except as provided in § 21.4150(d) as to the Republic of the Philippines, a course of education to be pursued

under 10 U.S.C. chapter 1606 or 38 U.S.C. chapter 30, 32, or 35 offered by an institution of higher learning not located in a State;

(iv) Any course in any other school in accordance with the provisions of 38 U.S.C. chapter 36; and

(v) Any program of apprenticeship the standards for which have been approved by the Secretary of Labor pursuant to section 50a of Title 29 U.S.C. as a national apprenticeship program for operation in more than one State and for which the training establishment is a carrier directly engaged in interstate commerce and providing training in more than one State.

(Authority: 38 U.S.C. 3241, 3476, 3523, 3672(b), 3672(c))

CROSS REFERENCE: *State approving agencies.* See § 21.4150(e).

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§ 21.4251 Period of operation of course.

(a) *General.* A course offered by a school other than a job training establishment will be appropriate for the enrollment of a veteran or eligible person only if it has been in operation for 2 years or more immediately prior to the date of enrollment of such person, except that this provision does not apply to:

(1) Any course to be pursued in a public or other tax-supported educational institution including the flying clubs which are the subject of § 21.4201(c)(1)(ii);

(2) Any course which is similar in character to instruction previously offered by the school for more than 2 years;

(3) Any course which has been offered by a school for a period of more than 2 years, notwithstanding that the school has moved to another location within the same general locality, or where the school has made a complete move with substantially the same faculty, curricula, and students, without a change in ownership;

(4) Any course which is offered by a nonprofit school of college level and